

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1150

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Daniel Thomas Locke for his academic excellence.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Thomas Locke is one such exceptional student, who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all of his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Locke has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, a fourth grade student at Ganns-Middle Valley Elementary School, Daniel Locke has recently surpassed the 1,000 point mark in the Accelerated Reader program, far exceeding the previous school record of 555 points; and

WHEREAS, an outstanding student whose reading level has been tested to exceed two grade levels above his age, young Mr. Locke has enjoyed reading his entire life and could read before he entered kindergarten; and

WHEREAS, a fan of fiction and stories about inventions, Daniel's 1000-point Accelerated Reader score is equivalent to having read approximately 200 grade level books of 175 pages each with perfect comprehension; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished athlete as well as a scholar, Daniel Locke has wrestled for the Soddy Daisy Mat Brats for four years, played Dizzy Dean baseball for five years, and taken to the pitch with Middle Valley Soccer for six years, where he currently serves as captain of the Middle Valley Mud Dogs; and

WHEREAS, excelling in academic competition, Daniel is a member of the Ganns-Middle Valley Elementary Select Math Club and was chosen to represent the school in the 2010 Elementary Science Olympiad; and

WHEREAS, active in his community, he has served as a church usher, volunteered with numerous charitable organizations and events, and mentored younger students in basic mathematics and reading comprehension; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Locke's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Locke's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his family, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Locke's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor Daniel Thomas Locke on his impressive academic achievements and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.